

## News Release

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## DES TO HOLD GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

(BULLHEAD CITY, November 6, 2001) – The Department of Economic Security will hold a groundbreaking ceremony on November 14, 2001 in preparation for a new multi-service center to be built in Bullhead City. The event will be held at 10:00 a.m. on the site of the future building which will be located on the corner of Havasupai Drive and Highway 95. The 20,000 square foot building will be constructed by Mercon Builder. The staff of DES cordially invites the community to attend the event.

The purpose of the one-stop customer service center is to co-locate various programs and services provided to the community by DES and include the following:

**Administration for Children Youth and Families** services available are Intensive Family Preservation, Support and Reunification, Foster Care Parent Aide, Counseling, Adoption Certification, Independent Living Program for Teen Youth and Child Abuse Investigation. The toll-free hotline is 1-888-767-2445.

**Adult Protective Services** provides case management services and assesses allegations of neglect, self neglect, abuse and exploitation of vulnerable adults. The toll-free elder abuse hotline is 1-888-767-2385.

**Family Assistance Administration** provides assistance to eligible families to meet their basic needs and self-sufficiency assistance for Food Stamps, Cash Assistance, General Assistance and Medical Assistance. For more information the local telephone number is 763-4144.

**Jobs Administration** provides services to transition public assistance recipients to employment (Welfare-To-Work Program) through Basic Education, Job Preparation Workshops, Job Development and Placements, Paid Work Experience and Transitional Employment. For more information the local telephone number is 758-7265.

**Child Care Administration** provides a stream-lined system of child care assistance for eligible recipients and contracts with certified small family child care homes, licensed centers, group homes and certain relative providers to serve eligible families. For more information the local telephone number is 704-9708.

**Divison of Development Disabilities** partners with various agencies to develop, enhance and support environments which enable individuals with developmental disabilities to achieve and maintain physical well being, personal and professional satisfaction, and to fully participate in the community. For more information the local telephone number is 763-3635.

**Division of Child Support Enforcement** provides child support services by locating absent parents, establish paternity and child support orders, and enforcement of those orders. The service is provided on an itinerant basis. For more information, the number in Kingman is 1-928-753-3134.

**Rehabilitation Services Administration** provides Vocational Rehabilitation services to eligible disabled individuals with disabling conditions, Independent Living Services, Employment Support Services, Specialized Programs for the Blind and Youth Transition Services. For more information the local telephone number is 763-8422.

Employment Security Administration programs are Job Service, Unemployment Insurance, Dislocated Worker Assistance and Veterans Employment and Training. Job seekers services offered are: Job Listings (local, state and national); Resources Room with internet connection for Job Search; Resume Preparation; Typing Skills Testing; Wage, Hour and Equal Employment Opportunity Information; Local, State and National Labor Market Information and Federal Bonding Assistance. Veterans' Services also include Case Management and Veterans Preference for Employment Opportunities, Veteran Verification Assistance and Benefits Information Assistance. Employer Services include Job Listings, Recruitment of Applicants to Meet Employer Requirements and Federal Contractor Compliance Requirements. For more information the local telephone number is 763-4154.